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Dear Ponte:

Your letter of June 22nd reminded me that I had failed to give you a concrete answer to your inquiry about Miss D. It is impossible not to be greatly impressed by her work. However, I am afraid that I have to say that we have already gotten so involved in excentric projects that I do not think that we can or should take on another organism regardless of its very appealing features.

An obvious place where she could continue these studies and have the benefit of some interchange of experience and ideas would be with Raquel Sussman at Brandeis University in Boston.

If you think this is a wise course and if you are short of another copy of the research report, I will be glad to send this to Raquel. Another place where Miss D. might obtain some widening of her experience should be the Rockefeller Institute in New York with Ed Tatum. And finally, you might want to think carefully about getting Francis Ryan enthused about this.

Lucca is spending the summer here and I can hardly read your letter and recall your summer address without remembering Domo Dossola.

Yours sincerely,

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